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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated February 5, 2003, be extended for three months to and including August 5, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$465 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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